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Dear Examiner Lugo:

This correspondence is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 23, 2004. Applicant herewith responds within three months of the mailing date of the Office Action and respectfully requests entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.